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"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him, should not perish but have everlasting life."—St. John III:16.

ETERNITY.

When such important personages on the world's stage as Harriman, King Leopold and Cardinal Sartoli are suddenly bidden to give up all (arrested) and to make their final exit, just common folk cannot expect to escape the dread summons, and ought to try to be in some manner ready. (Make your will, mister!)

I made a pilgrimage to find the God;
I listened for his voice at holy tombs,
Searched for the print of His immortal feet
In dust of broken altars; yet turned back
With empty heart. But on the homeward road,
A great light came upon me, and I heard
The God's voice singing in a nestling lark;
Felt his sweet wonder in a swaying rose;
Received His blessing from a wayside well;
Looked on His beauty in a lover's face;
Saw his bright hand send signal from the sun.

—Edwin Markham.

The incident of Connolly's offering George Jones, editor and proprietor of The Times, \$5,000,000 to forego the publication of matter which was proof conclusive of the Tweed ring's infamy. The manner of Mr. Jones's refusal is of dramatic interest.

(We're never been tempted with that much!)

To Hon. A. S. Cleghorn, one of the royal governors under the monarchical system in Hawaii, is

due much of the credit for changing the name of the fort at Pearl Harbor from Fort Upton to Fort Kamehameha, in honor of the first Hawaiian king of all the islands, the Napoleon of the Pacific.

The term "tip" applied to a fee is derived from the practice in old English inns of having a general box for gratuities, which bore the words, "To Insure Promptitude," the three initial letters of which have become "tip."

The late Viggo Jacobsen was a man ever ready to help another, although he could not help himself. He was a man of more than the average attainments in literature and art, a kindly gentleman when himself, and one who will be missed in this community more than many a more important man.

The recent parade of our battleships just made to a peaceful world cost the taxpayers \$125,000,000. Fifty lives were sacrificed and it will cost about \$8,000,000 to repair the battleships. When I read the above, and when I read last week of a man who sold the baby he loved so much so as to get a railway ticket to convey him to a place where he could get work, I think it's sad.

Paxton, Ill., Dec. 24.—Land in Livingston adapted to the growing of celery is valued at \$500 an acre, the same price at which celery land in New York state is held. C. H. Frew says that seven acres of land planted in celery yielded \$3,700 last year.

(Whew! I say, editor, let us all swap newspaper work for celery land. The printers' sellery—salary.)

The early Portuguese were exceedingly thrifty and nearly all of them acquired, after a few years, at least, a homestead. The same perhaps might be said of the first Jap-

anese that came, of course, as contract laborers.

But, how about the rising generation of either?

If they earn a few dollars a week, it seems all to be frittered away for finery and cheap amusement, some of them to the extent of giving the parents no equivalent for board or lodging. But in that the parents are to fault.

"The hospitals are crowded with underpaid working people. This also seems to be an exaggeration. There are niggardly employers, but there are thousands of thriftless employees. Wages have increased, the hours of wages have diminished, and along with these the means of spending wages uselessly have multiplied. The most important natural means of bettering social condition is thrift, and we fear that too little is being done by sociologists to promote it while the first effect of Socialism is to discourage it.

"If hospitals are crowded with these penniless employees, they crowd the bar-rooms, the cheap theatres, the dance halls, the Sunday resorts, the cheap finery shops, the restaurants and ice cream parlors, the cigar stands, and surround the slot machines, and the pool-sellers for many a day before they reach the hospitals. A habit of self-denial, of turning a piece of money over two or three times before spending it, of not carrying one's bank in the pocket, on the part of all, would reduce municipal expenses wonderfully in all departments."

(Lack of thrift in New York; also, in Hawaii.—Ed.)

"Here's a poem on the 'Ould Country,' sorr," said a frayed-looking individual to the editor of a weekly newspaper in a large town; "an' it's hopin' you'll take it, Oi am." "What is your address?" inquired the editor. "That depends intirely on you, sorr," responded the poet, with a cheerful smile.